



A world where people can choose their ideal society to live in, by travelling to them.

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1. Intro

First of all, I'm not schooled in politics, so my ideas could be incorrect for all I know.

However, it is essential that people share their ideas so they can be judged and perhaps used.

This way a better world can be created, by sharing and testing new concepts.

My proposal might sound radical, so these ideas should be realized on a small scale first and slowly be introduced to the rest of the world.

The question we should ask ourselves is; does this make most people happier?

2. The Problem with Democracy

Democracy is good. It is as far as I know the best way for rulers to rise to power, chosen by the majority.

Yet, in a democracy there are always "losers" and a large group of the populus feels disenchanting by the chosen leaders.

This often leads to people travelling to other countries, choosing a better government.

Another problem is that the change of leaders creates a landscape that drastically shifts every period.

For example: an environmental party could control a state for 5 years, removing parking spaces, planting trees, etc. Then a conservative party can be elected chopping down the trees and building factories.

Only for the environmentalists to be chosen again, having to restart their projects.

Inhabitants also feel unsure with each election; will their rights change, will the economy still be the same?

The rulers keep shifting, creating an unstable changing world, which can be demotivating and scary to some.

The elected parties also assume their way of governing is the correct one and will challenge other countries for not ruling the same way as they do. They will demand other countries to have the same rules.

Especially larger countries will demand that smaller countries listen to them.

Thus countries start conflicts and wars.

I hope my idea of a travelocracy, will prevent (at least some) wars.

3. The Solution: Travelocracy

I propose a new way of democracy; a travelocracy. The world will be slowly and peacefully divided in different states. Each state will have a different government that is largely stable and unchanging.

Such a state will be called: a polistate.

For example an environmental polistate will remain an environmental state, and a conservative polistate will remain a conservative state. Thus instead of people choosing their leaders for one state, people can choose the state they wish to live in with their ideal regime.

Instead of voting, the populus will travel to the desired government.

Of course every country that now exists can remain, especially their culture.

Large countries shall be divided in smaller polistates. There will still be a small form of democracy inside each polistate, where people can vote who will lead the ruling party. The populus can also make decisions about certain actions and rules of the state. There can be many referendums.

However each polistate will always be bound to its political party and core ideology.

For example; a socialist polistate will remain a socialist state and a religious polistate will remain a religious state. The people who lead these states will change through a democracy.

And certain decisions and laws can be changed through referendum, but the way of ruling will remain solid. If people want another party, another government, they can travel to them.

3.2 Freedom to Travel

It is important in this new world that people have the freedom to travel anywhere they want.

There will be no blockades restricting immigration. Of course, people can have a background check, and can be searched for contraband like narcotics and weapons. Everyone will be free to travel, to each state, no matter their status. It does not matter if they have a job or not. The populus can move from state to state, similar to tourists, trying each government, discovering for themselves what environment fits them best. So, they can choose their final residence.

3.3 The Types of Polistates

There will be different types of polistates. Each polistate will have its own ruling ideology.

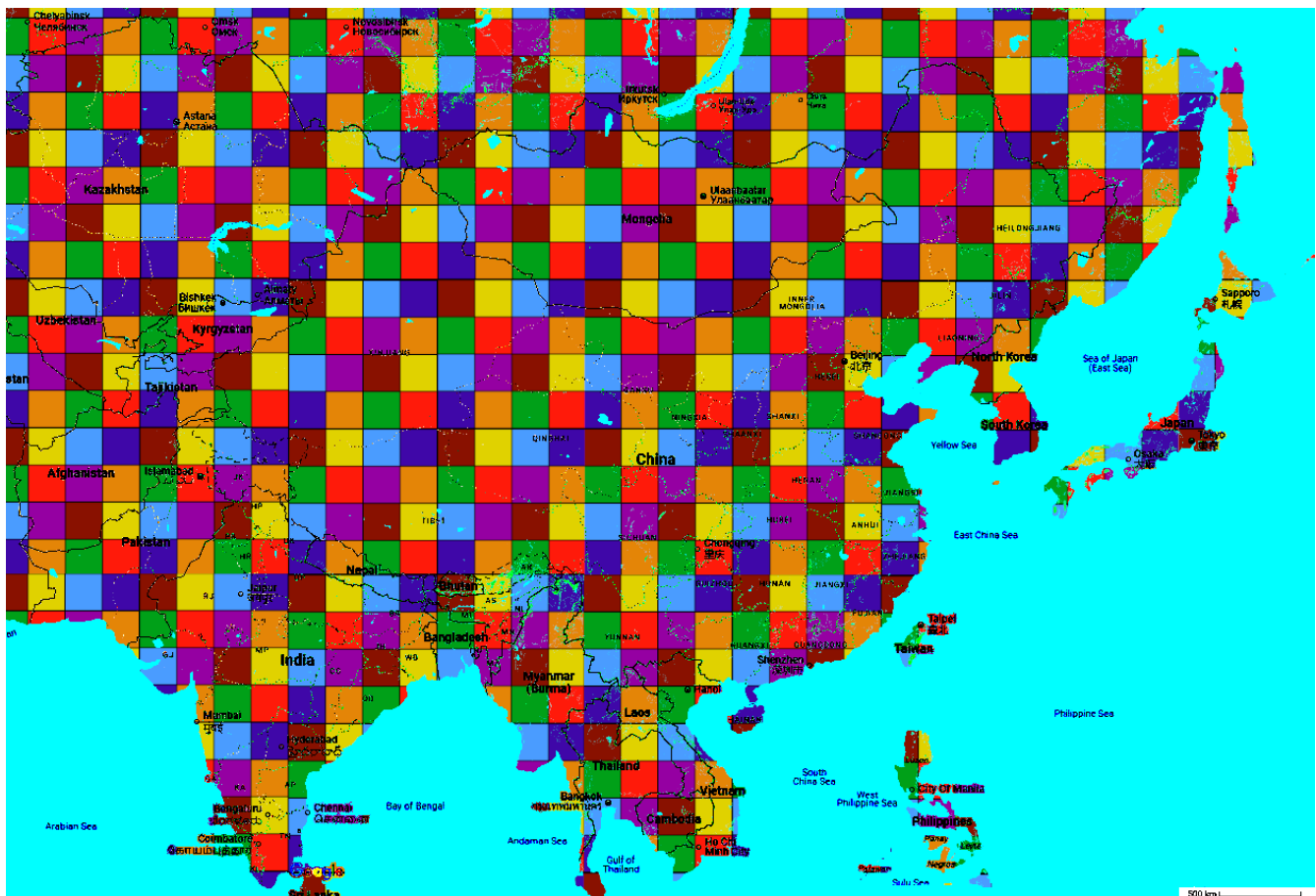
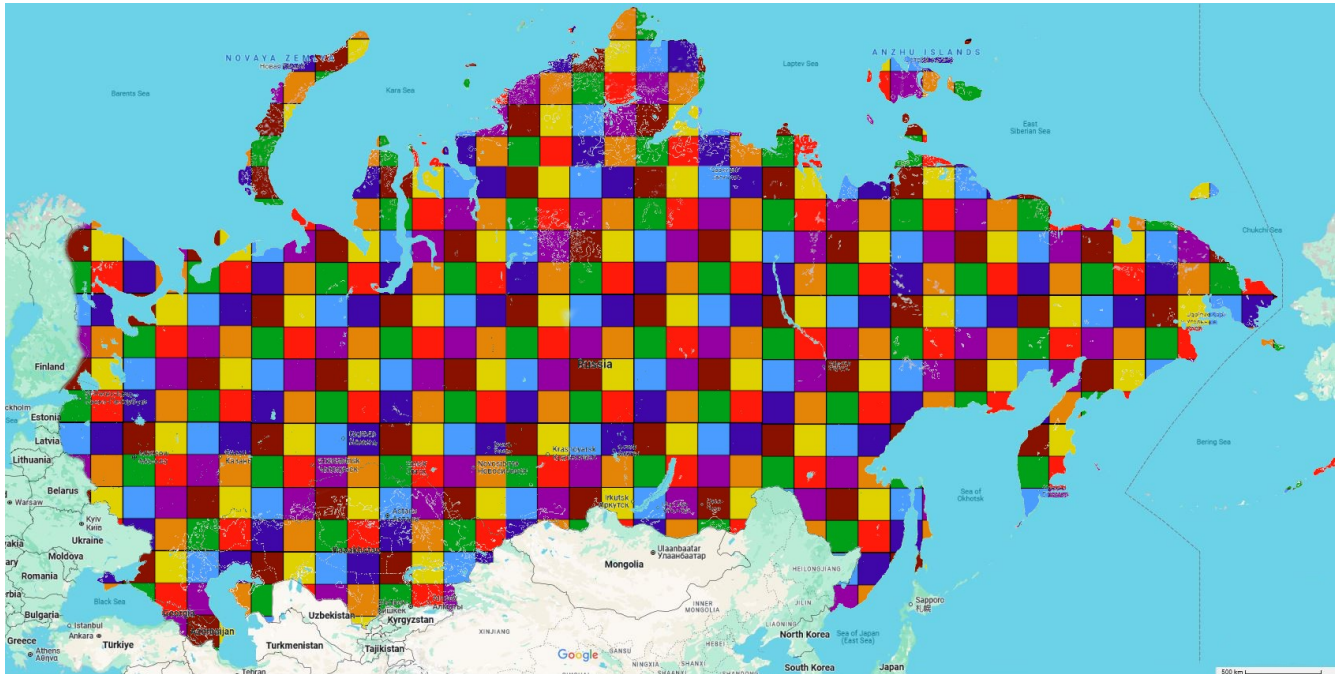
I imagine there could be 8 different types of polistates, but there could be more, room could be left for experimental polistates, and newer and perhaps better ideologies.

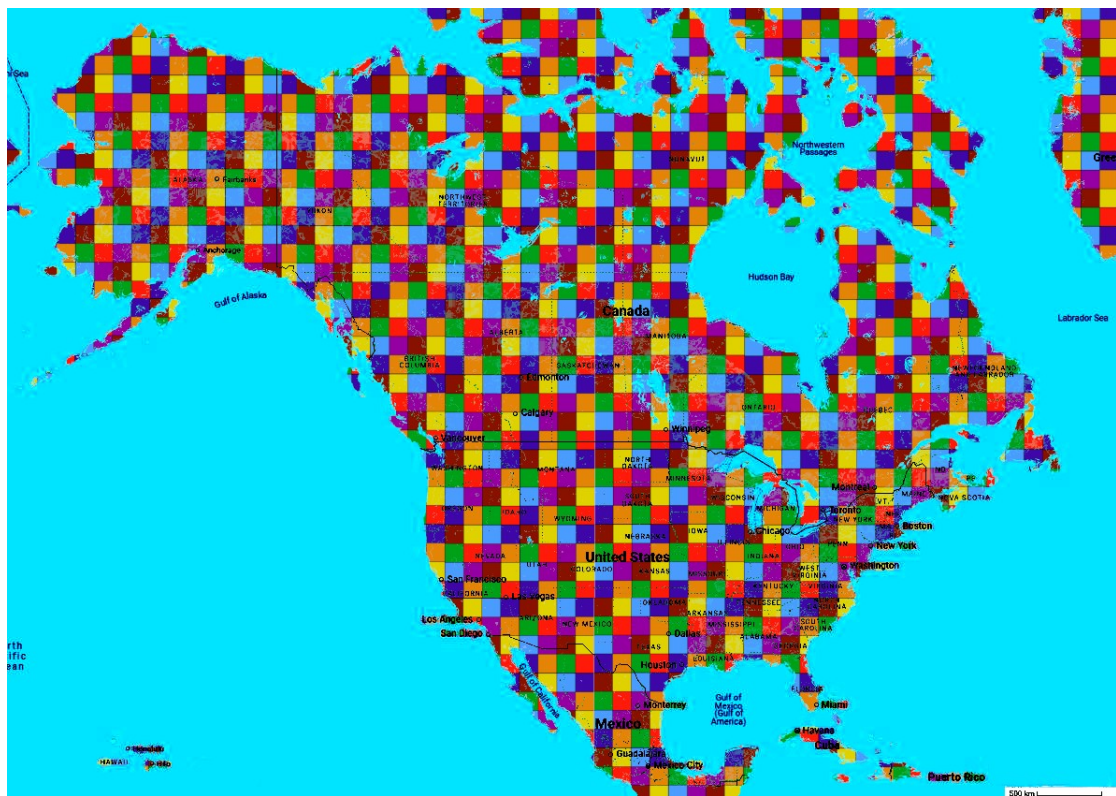
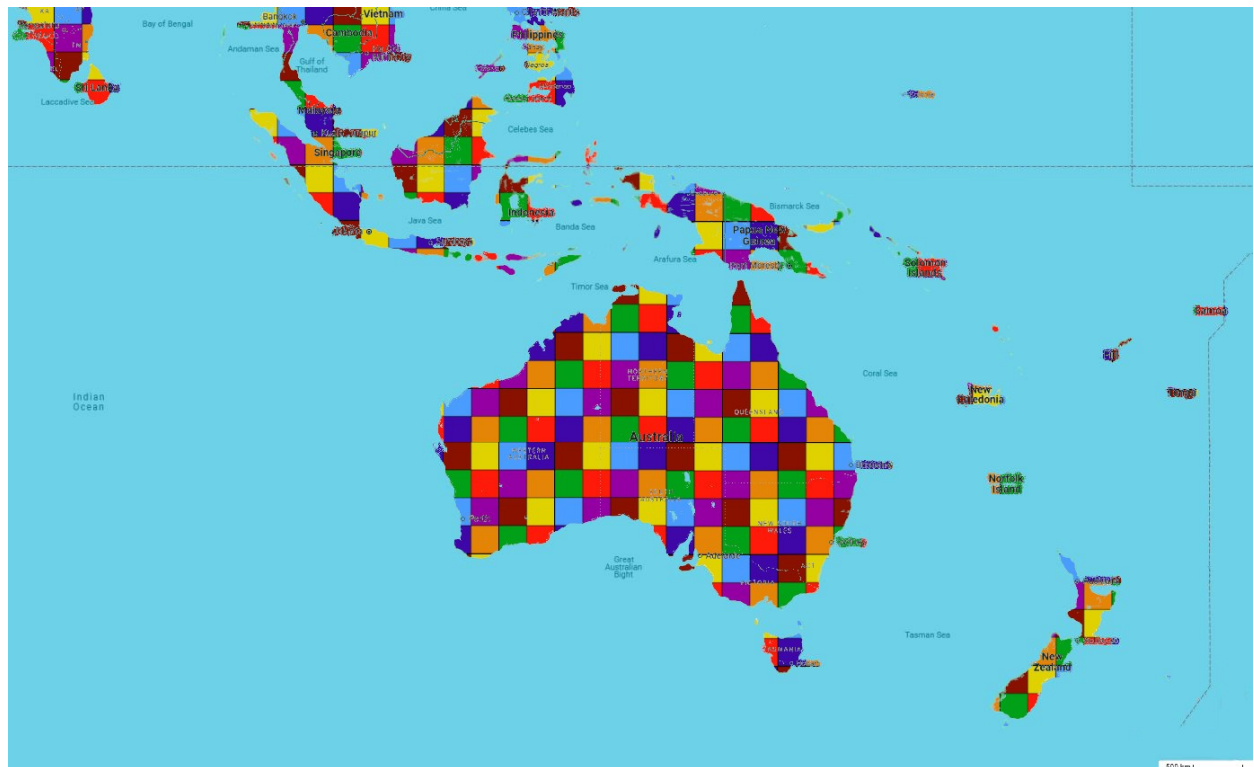
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Socialist ●
Enviromentalist ●
Centrist ●

Liberalism ●
Religious ●
Conservatism ●
Nationalism ●

3.4 The Polistates Spread across the World

Each continent or large country can be divided in small polistates. This process must happen on a small scale first and slowly expanded throughout the world. Huge changes in a short time lead to unrest. Here are some examples on how the world can be divided in polistates.

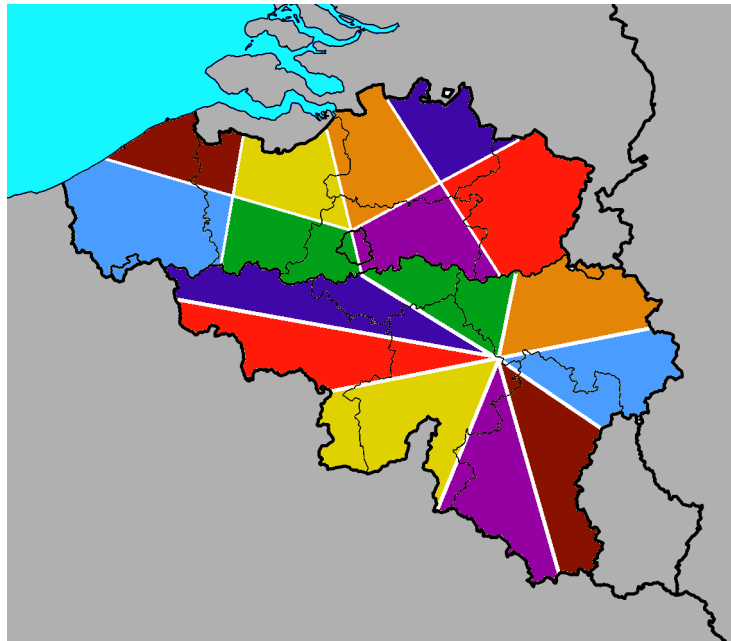






3.5 Polistates divided According to Local Borders

Another way of dividing the world in polistates is to look at existing countries and divide these countries in 8, 16 or more polistates. Remember that each ideology should be represented in each country then. In the next image we can see Belgium divided in 16 polistates. We can see the polistates align with the original borders of Belgium. In reality, Belgium has two divisions: Flanders (north/west) where people speak Flemish and Walloon (south/east) where people speak Walloon. Each division has been divided in the 8 polistates. This way the Flemish people and Walloon people can remain their language and identity and choose under which government they wish to live. Other countries could be divided in the same way, where we keep in mind the local identities and languages.



3.6 Transport and Freedom of Ideas

It is essential that the polistates are not too large and not too separated from each other. This way, it is easier to travel to them. Every type of polistate must be reachable through train, bus and/or metro. Ideally aeroplanes should not be required, because aeroplanes are terrible for the environment.

Now, certain countries banned content from other countries. This can happen through firewalls which block information online.

For example, in Russia meta-apps like Facebook are banned. And in the EU, Russian news sites and songs are blocked. This prevents the flow of ideas, opinions and art. It stops people from seeing the world in another light and learning new concepts.

Across the world, ideas and opinions should be able to float freely across the world.

People should be able to know how life is like in other regimes and polistates, so they can make informed decisions on where to travel and live.

Of course illegal content should remain banned such as: links to buy illegal narcotics, animal abuse videos, etc.



3.7 PoliStates for Indigenous Populations

One can agree to disagree, but some people feel safe in spaces where everyone around them shares their ancestry. For example, a black person may prefer a neighbourhood with a lot of black people.

So there can be small polistates where only indigenous people are allowed. We can call these polistates: "Indistates"

By indigenous population we mean every large ethnicity living at that location before 1491.

(This year was chosen because in 1492 Christopher Columbus set foot on America, which eventually led to world wide colonisation, often done by Europeans.)

In the indistates of America, only Native Americans are allowed. In African indistates only black people with African ancestry are allowed. In Australian indistates only Native Australians, like Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders can live. In Europe this means that in indistates only people can live with European ancestry. This concept can be seen as somewhat racist, but I do not state that some ethnic groups are better than others. We are all humans. I just offer an idea, an idea to create states where humans feel safe. For every culture and ancestry, there will be a small indistate where indigenous people can connect to their roots. In other polistates everyone will be welcome, no matter their ancestry or ethnicity.

The indistates could be the nationalist polistates (coloured orange on the map). Or a new, 9th type of polistate.

3.8 Diversity and Education

Every polistate will have places of worship for a lot of religions with a lot of followers.

There will be churches for Christians, mosques for Muslims, temples for Hindus, synagogues for Jews, shrines for Buddhists and places for practitioners of folk religions.

There will be places for Lgbtqia+ people to meet in every polistate. However, these could be more hidden or non-existent in the religious, conservative and nationalist polistates. This leaves plenty of space for the Lgbtqia+ society in the other five polistates.

Education will be important in all types of polistate. History will be important to study, and everyone shall learn about different ideologies and every type of polistate.

Happiness, science, nature, freedom of speech and art will be important in every polistate.

3.9 War without Death

Humanity should strive for a world without war. A world where no one gets killed.

Perhaps, when the polistates are introduced worldwide, there will be less war. Leaders won't need to impose their ideologies and wills to other places, if people don't like a certain ideology they can always travel to the polistate that has their desired ideology.

Wars are terrible and should end, however wars create technological innovation.

So, how do we keep the technological innovation but end the deaths and suffering that come with war?

Well, perhaps we could have 'artificial wars' where two teams let machines fight with each other.

The two teams, consisting of people with bright minds (engineers, strategists, etc.) will create better and better fighting machines and weapons by competing against each other. This will incentivise technological innovation without death and tragedy.

There could be test sites set aside, consisting of different environments where the two teams will wage their artificial war trying to take territory.

We should be careful these 'artificial wars' won't destroy our climate.

If we reach a time of global peace, we should keep our minds open. There may be other intelligent life in the universe, aside from humans. If these extraterrestrials contact and visit us, we should be tolerant and understanding. However if the beings have bad intentions, we should be prepared for such wars. Therefore it is important humanity advances its technology, so we can protect ourselves.

3.10 Other Planets and Space Stations

It is essential that humanity, is going to live in space one day. The Earth is too fragile to house all of humankind. A meteor of a certain size and power could destroy the planet and all of its inhabitants. Thus, mankind must spread its wings and spread across the cosmos.

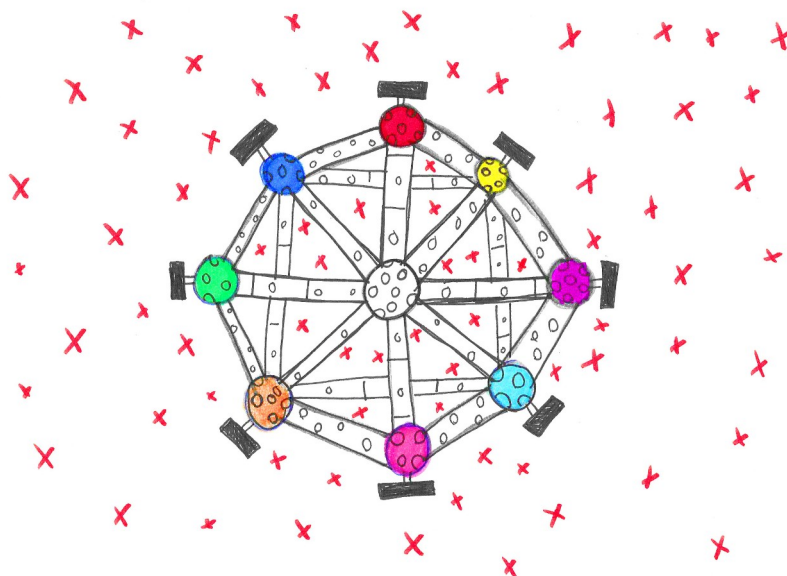
In the future, there could be different space stations drifting around the globe or between the stars.

The space stations could be quite huge, consisting of 8, 16, or more polistates.

There can be small space stations, where each station is a polistate. But, every space station must be easy to reach then, so the inhabitants can easily choose and travel to the preferred regime.

There can be polistates on the moon, mars and other planets. Just remember inhabitants should be able to move to different polistates if they wish. So the polistates should not be too big or far apart.

Ideas and opinions must flow freely as well.





3.11 Nature and Tranquillity

In today's world, people suffer from noise- and light pollution. There are pimped cars hurting the ears of passers-by and loud music keep inhabitants up at night. Digital billboards and flashing lights distract people on the streets, which could cause accidents. During the night, bright LED lights of cars blind pedestrians and other drivers. Thus these phenomena will be banned in the polistates, to create safer streets and preserve tranquillity. If people want a lot of noise and lights, there could be small cities for this, distanced from other cities.

Each polistate will also have a lot of nature, and untouched forests, and energy will be as environmentally friendly as possible. We tend to forget, humans are still a part of nature, and greatly depend on it.

I have written an essay about ideal cities of the future: Green Silent Megacities.

https://archive.org/details/future-world_202401/mode/2up

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1s00cWTNdMhJkwIH5-B8hCY4ep4iO0fkC/view>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5tFPTvKk8IM>

4. Ending

Thank you for reading. Perhaps these concepts can be used to create an improved society worldwide. Would you implement these ideas? If so how? Do you have ideas for a better world?